

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 13, 2020

Rectory Roof Replacement Project

All Donations Welcomed & Appreciated!

\$3,000	\$5,000	\$1,000	\$2,000			
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Goal: \$21,000

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Roofing Project News

As you can see from our Rectory Roofing Project Poster on the front of the bulletin (and at the front entrance of the church) we are moving right along with our donations, thanks to our generous parishioners! To date, we have collected \$6,965! When we add this to the \$6,500 we realized from the sale of our two parish vehicles, we now have \$13,465 of our goal. (Our goal is \$21,000.) We humbly ask for your help to collect the rest of the money to reach our goal. Thank you sincerely to those who have already donated! We will keep you updated on this project.

Thank You

A big thank you to Dennis Cortes and Michael Ashley for helping Fr. Ed fix the Vocation Promotion Sign board at the entrance of the Church.

Also, a big thank you goes to Laurie Adams for trimming and mulching the flowers beds at the entrance of the church. Great job Laurie!

We are very grateful to Ed Poach for repairing our small library in front of the parish center.

Meetings:

Sept. 14: Liturgy Committee meeting (1 p.m. in the Parish Center)

Last Week's Collection

Envelopes: \$3,190.00

Loose: \$175.00

Roof Replacement Fund: \$870

Attendance: 9/5: 44 – 9/6: 50



Attendance

We will continue to post our attendance numbers and offertory collection numbers each week. Our attendance at mass has been very low. We encourage you to join us if you feel safe doing so. Please note that we are having the church professionally sanitized after the Saturday evening mass each week and we are following all of the guidelines set forth for safety by the diocese.

Second Collection This Weekend

This weekend, our second collection is for the Diocesan Scholarship Association, which provides scholarships to Catholic students who attend Wheeling University. Applicants must be parishioners of a parish in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston in order to be eligible for a scholarship and the pastor's signature is required to verify parish membership. Many of our own parishioners have benefitted from this scholarship! Please be generous.

Bishop Approves Special Collection Next Week

Most Rev. Mark Brennan, Bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, has approved a special collection to be held the weekend of September 19-20

in all parishes and missions throughout the diocese to support recovery efforts related to the recent natural disasters that have occurred across the country (US Gulf hurricanes and the western wildfires) as well as the devastating explosion that occurred in Beirut, Lebanon.

Proceeds from this collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services and will provide pastoral support and rebuilding assistance to impacted dioceses through the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

As we hold the victims and first responders in our prayers during these critical days, let us also spend time in prayer and discernment as we prepare for this upcoming collection. Let us come together now to support our brothers and sisters in Christ who are suffering this horrible loss.

Please remember in prayer those who have lost their lives as a result of these disasters, as well as all those who are injured and lost their homes, cars, employment, access to food and water and to those who remain without electricity or are stranded."

If you would like to donate to this cause, please put your collection in a special envelope, or mark your check for "disaster relief."

RCIA is Starting at Holy Rosary!

If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office at 304-472-3414 to leave your name or your friend's name and contact information. RCIA sessions will begin in September!

A Crosslines Thank You

Crosslines is truly grateful for the assistance you have provided for our Back Pack Program and for our neighbors in general: backpacks, diapers, veggies, school supplies! Thank you, Father Ed for helping distribute backpacks on those hot days last week. Your help was greatly appreciated. Now for an update on what is happening. School begins on September 8 and we do not yet know what effect that will have on the virus spread. We are watching closely and will keep you updated. We are hoping to begin serving lunches on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the last week of September. We do not know if we will be able to serve lunch at Crosslines or whether it will simply be bag lunch to-go. We are also encouraging Holy Rosary Diaper Bank to wait until the last week in September for their fall opening.

In the meantime, we are in need of cleaning supplies...liquid cleaners like Ajax or Fabuloso, Brillo-like pads, powders like Dutch Cleanser, liquid dish detergent, powdered laundry detergent, toilet bowl cleaners made with peroxide. We are not able to accept bleach.

We are now beginning to prepare for our Thanksgiving basket program. In it we give our families a turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, regular potatoes, corn and green beans, canned fruit or pumpkin pie filling. Please give what you can for this popular basket. Our neighbors depend on it. Just put your

donation in the boxes located at the entrance to the church or in the hall. We are grateful for the numerous ways that Holy Rosary Parish supports Crosslines. Thank you again!

September Celebrations!

Do you have a birthday or special celebration in your family for September? Celebrate with your parish family! Just drop a note in the collection basket or give it to Fr. Ed. Congratulations to all who celebrate in September.

Shirley Lundell	Sept. 4
Dennis Willett	Sept. 5
Maddie Williams	Sept. 5
Roger Lundell	Sept. 7
Ann Stalnaker	Sept. 15
Donna Broslawsky	Sept. 20
Chloe McCartney	Sept. 20
Tucker McCartney	Sept. 20
Jordan Shaver	Sept. 23
Meghan Williams	Sept. 24
Lori Post	Sept. 27



Pam Wilson - Sept. 28
Barbara Elmore - Sept. 29
Jerome Post - Sept. 30

SoulCore Resumes

SoulCore will be held outside on the side lawn of Holy Rosary Catholic Church on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Bring a mat and light hand weights! If it is raining, class will not be held.



Greeter's Schedule

Sat. 9/12- John Kriner
Sun. 9/13 - Frank Girard
Sat. 9/19 - Nancy Smarr/Tony Duncan
Sun. 9/20 - Frank Girard

Lector's Schedule

9/12: Skip Gjolberg
9/13: Joe Broslawsky
9/19: Rachel Weber
9/20: Virginia Carmona

Please pray for our homebound

Gene & Mary Stump, Denna Bayless, Anna Stalnaker, Ron Frye, Rocena Asbury, John Sneberger, Lorraine McLean, James McCartney, Nancy Beverlin, Shirley Linger, Shirley Helmick, William McLean, Anna Powell, Barbara Elmore, Gerry Stankus, Helena Bessinger, Virginia Cerullo, Alan and Jimmie Jo Simmons, and Jeanette Willett.

Special Celebration

On Saturday, September 12, the feast of the Holy Name of Mary, Father Jim McCafferty, S.M., former pastor of Holy Rosary, celebrated his 77th birthday, religious profession day and the Golden Jubilee of ordination. Father Jim concelebrated the Eucharist at Holy Name Church, Cleveland, OH, his home parish. If you would like to send a card to Father Jim, his address is: Welty Apts., 406, 1276 National Road, Wheeling, WV 26003.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS VISITS

If any homebound parishioner would like Fr. Ed to visit and bring Holy Communion to him/her, please call the parish office (304) 472 3414 or Fr. Ed's cell phone (609) 510-1090. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, Fr. Ed will wear a face mask, face shield and gloves when visiting a homebound parishioner. In case you would not like a visit but would just like to talk on the phone, please do not hesitate to reach out to Fr. Ed.

Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday, Sept. 12 – 7 p.m. Dylan Elza (Holy Rosary)
Sunday, Sept. 13 - 9 a.m. – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)
Monday, Sept. 14 – Thanksgiving for Divine mercy & St. Faustina
Tuesday, Sept. 15 – Mary Cusick
Wednesday, Sept. 16 – +Charles Sandreth (7 p.m. at Holy Rosary) Silent Adoration begins at 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 17 – +Elizabeth Lanham
Friday, Sept. 18 - +Salathiel Lanham
Saturday, Sept. 19 – 7 p.m. - +Gene Wilson (Holy Rosary)
Sunday, Sept. 20 - 9 a.m. – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)
Noon – For social, health, & economic justice for all

Please remember in your prayers

Bertha Small, Kate Deasy, Rosemary Austin, Phil Halligan, Randy Trent, Macyah Riley, Karen Trent, Jack Call, Joe Morton, Matthew Linger, David Vincent, Seth Poling, Cathy Lipscomb, Hugh Hensil, Barbara Elmore, Freddy Caimotto, James Barton, Mike Cerullo, Darell Hyre, Diane Hyre, Freda Cawthon, Vicki Dibble, Eric Harkness, Pat Daigneault, Duane Lohr, Jeff Ball, Linda Hicks, Jane Baxter, Shaelyn Posey, P.T. Garton, Jalen Welcome, Ron Byrd, Helena Bessinger, Dennis Cortes, Kay Sienkiewicz, Danny Morgan, Patty Griffith, Gene Zara. Please pray for men and women in the military.

Attention Men of the Parish

All men of the parish are invited to their new fall study series from the Knights of Columbus called *Into the Breach*. This is a 12-part video series for men. Each video is about 12-15 minutes and a study guide with questions is available by contacting Skip Gjolberg.

(sgjolberg@gmail.com) Each meeting will last about one hour, and the men will have plenty of time to view the video and discuss the questions. The plan is to meet for four Saturdays, then take one Saturday off and repeat for the following lessons:

- Week 2: Brotherhood
- Week 3: Leadership
- Week 4: Fatherhood
- Week 5: break
- Week 6: Family
- Week 7: Life
- Week 8: Prayer
- Week 9: Suffering
- Week 10: break
- Week 11: Sacramentals
- Week 12: Spiritual Warfare
- Week 13: Evangelization
- Week 14: The Cornerstone
- Week 15: break



MEN'S GROUP

The first meeting was held Saturday, September 12 at 9 a.m. in Marist Hall. Also, if anyone is interested in meeting during the week, that is an option as well. Please contact Skip for more details at 681-533-8170 or email: sgjolberg@gmail.com We hope that all men prayerfully consider learning and praying with other men from our parish!

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What right do we have to limit the amount and degree of forgiveness we show to others when we are so desperately in need of it ourselves? In not wanting someone who hurt us to downplay or forget the gravity of their wrong, we cling to anger, resentment, and wrath as a way of maintaining control. It is a way to acknowledge and express our deep hurt. We fail to realize that in doing so we hold ourselves hostage to these destructive feelings and actually become mired in the bondage of sin. All we gain is further alienation from ourselves, others, and especially God. We are no longer free but tethered to all of this unresolved negativity. Don't we really want to let it go? The fact is that we need to.

A good self-reflective posture will quickly show us that when the shoe is on the other foot and we are the ones in need of forgiveness, we desire it above anything else. This is especially true with our relationship with God. It is hypocritical to want one thing for ourselves and something else for another. Yet, many act in precisely this way.

Perhaps we think that in offering forgiveness, even for the most grievous of wrongs, somehow excuses the person of their wrong and makes it almost acceptable. This is what makes revenge, retaliation, and punishment so attractive. We see forgiveness as being an eraser that easily wipes away the offense without consequence. Or, we may believe that in offering forgiveness I must somehow forget the wrong and open myself as a victim of even greater possible hurts in the future. In fact, forgiving my sister or brother of their wrongful actions or attitudes involves none of this. It does not erase anything or position me vulnerably as a doormat to be walked on.

Forgiveness is an act of freedom that restores honest dialogue, shares true, and heartfelt feelings and acknowledges the consequences of an action. It admits that the wrong has caused a hurt that must be healed and squarely positions responsibility on the offender. The act of forgiveness recognizes our sinfulness and brokenness. It also admits that the most saintly among us is capable of doing very grave and deep harm to another person. It sees that we all can be victims of our passions and works in progress that deserve unlimited chances to get it right. With forgiveness, I release myself from the bonds of negativity and pursue a path of restoration, wholeness, and healing. I do not forget the wrong nor do I dismiss it. Sometimes, we have to stay far away from the one who hurt us. But we can still heal internally and be free.

For the one who wants to be forgiven and the one who needs offer forgiveness, the journey can be an adventure in learning what brought us to this place and what is needed to move forward. This is exactly how God treats us. Why would we not want to do the same for others? ©LPi

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